



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR




MARK J. SALADINO
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

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May 31, 2013

TO: Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chairman
Supervisor Gloria Molina
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
Supervisor Don Knabe
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

FROM: Mark J. Saladino
Treasurer and Tax Collector 

SUBJECT: **2012-2013 NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY**

In accordance with Section 2621 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, we are in the process of mailing out the attached notice to 149,473 taxpayers to remind them that their property taxes for the 2012-2013 tax year are delinquent and will default on July 2, 2013, since June 30 falls on a weekend. This is a decrease of 10.8 percent from the previous year.

On July 2, a \$15 redemption fee will be imposed and the defaulted 2012-2013 taxes will be subject to additional penalties of 1.5 percent per month. Each notice will be accompanied by an insert that will provide additional information. Furthermore, if the property remains in a tax defaulted status for more than five years, or three years if it is non-residential commercial property, the property can be sold at public auction.

Any taxpayer wishing to discuss the receipt of this notice or needing additional assistance, may call the Proptax line at 1(888) 807-2111. If you have any special handling needs, please do not hesitate to contact me or Kathy Gloster, Assistant Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 1(213) 974-2077.

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Attachments

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Chief Executive Officer
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel



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Treasurer and Tax Collector Mark J. Saladino

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May 31, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

2012-2013 NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY

Los Angeles – The County Treasurer and Tax Collector is in the process of mailing out 149,473 notices of delinquency to taxpayers informing them that their property taxes for the 2012-2013 tax year are delinquent and will default on July 2, 2013. At that time, a \$15 redemption fee will be imposed and the taxes will be subject to additional penalties of 1.5 percent per month.

Treasurer and Tax Collector, Mark J. Saladino, cautions that if residential property remains in a tax default status for more than five years, the property can be sold at public auction. Non-residential commercial property is subject to public auction if it is tax defaulted for three or more years in accordance with State law.

Any taxpayer wishing to discuss the receipt of this notice or requiring additional assistance may call the Proptax line at 1(888) 807-2111. Information is also available on Los Angeles County Property Tax Portal at www.lacountypropertytax.com.

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2012 - 2013 DELINQUENT TAX BILL

CITIES, COUNTY, SCHOOLS AND ALL OTHER TAXING AGENCIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SECURED PROPERTY TAX FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2012 TO JUNE 30, 2013

NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY

MARK J. SALADINO
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR
225 NORTH HILL STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
1(213) 974-2111 OR 1(888) 807-2111
1(213) 974-2196 (TDD)
ON THE WEB AT www.lacountypropertytax.com

PROPERTY LOCATION AND/OR PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

DELINQUENT TAX INFORMATION

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THE TAX AMOUNT, PENALTIES AND COST FOR THIS PROPERTY ARE PAST DUE. IF THE AMOUNT ON THIS NOTICE IS NOT PAID IN FULL BY JUNE 30, THE TAXES WILL DEFAULT ON JULY 1 AND WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$15.00 FEE AND REDEMPTION PENALTY CALCULATED AT THE RATE OF 1.5 PERCENT PER MONTH ON THE ORIGINAL TAX AMOUNT. VACANT RESIDENTIAL LOTS AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY MAY BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION IF THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN IN A DEFAULT STATUS FOR THREE YEARS. RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY MAY BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION IF THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN IN A DEFAULT STATUS FOR FIVE YEARS.

ANY RETURNED PAYMENT MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEE UP TO \$50.00.

	PRINT NO.	ASSESSOR'S ID. NO.					TRA	
		Map Book	Page	Parcel	Year	Seq. No.		
		1ST INSTALLMENT 10% PENALTY AFTER		2ND INSTALLMENT 10% PENALTY + \$10.00 COST AFTER			TOTAL TAX PENALTIES APPLY WHEN SHOWN	

DETACH AND MAIL THIS STUB WITH YOUR PAYMENT (PLEASE SEE REVERSE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION).

DO NOT INCLUDE NOTES WITH YOUR PAYMENT
DO NOT STAPLE, TAPE OR CLIP PAYMENT STUB OR CHECK

2012 - 2013 DELINQUENT TAX BILL

THIS AMOUNT IS NOW DUE.

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MAKE PAYMENT PAYABLE TO:
Please write the ASSESSOR'S ID. NO.
on the lower left corner of your payment.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR
P.O. BOX 54018
LOS ANGELES, CA 90054-0018

USE THESE NUMBERS ON ALL PAYMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE						Pay Key
ASSESSOR'S ID. NO.						
Map Book	Page	Parcel	Year	Seq. No.		
TOTAL DUE						AMOUNT PAID

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Mailed Payments – Please use the enclosed envelope and include the payment stub from this notice. Do not attach staples, clips, tape, or correspondence. If mailing near the June 30th due date, be sure to obtain a hand-cancellation or a certificate of mailing from the US Post Office to reflect timely mailing.

Pay Online – To make payments online, go to www.lacountypropertytax.com, select "Pay Online" under "Payment Options". You will need to use a PIN Number located on the reverse side of this notice. There is no charge for electronic check payments. However, there are processing fees when paying by credit/debit card. Your current secured payment cannot be more than \$24,999.99 to use the online system.

Pay in Person – Cash or check is accepted at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, CA 90012, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Pacific), Monday through Friday, excluding Los Angeles County holidays. Make your payment early to avoid long waits at the cashier windows.

Pay by Credit Card or Visa Debit over the telephone – Credit card payments (American Express, MasterCard, Visa, or Visa Debit card) are accepted over the telephone through a third-party vendor who charges a fee to utilize this service. To pay by telephone, call toll-free 1(888) 473-0835. You will need your Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Number that is printed on your current year tax bill and a credit card or visa debit card to complete the transaction. Please retain the confirmation number for future reference. If you do not have the current year bill, see "How to Contact our Office" below. Your current secured payment cannot be more than \$24,999.99 to use the telephone system.

Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) – Combined current property tax bills that equal or exceed \$50,000.00 must be paid electronically. Pre-registration is required. For more information, email us at eft@ttc.lacounty.gov or call 1(213) 974-0996.

Online Banking or Bill Payment Services – To ensure proper credit when using these services, enter the 19-digit EFT Number (includes the 13-digit ID#, 2-digit Year and 4-digit Sequence from your current tax bill) followed by the number 1 (1st installment), 2 (2nd installment), or 5 (both installments). The EFT Number changes annually. Ensure that the EFT Number that you enter is the same number that is reflected on your current tax bill. If you do not have the current year bill, see "How to Contact our Office" below.

Electronic Check Processing – When you provide a check as payment, you authorize the County of Los Angeles to either use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your bank account or process the payment as a check transaction. If we use information from your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your bank account as soon as the same day we receive your payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution. However, the transaction will appear on your bank statement.

GENERAL TAX INFORMATION

For your convenience, general prerecorded information, including taxes due, is available 24-hours a day through our PROPTAX telephone system. Call 1(213) 974-2111, if outside of Los Angeles County, or 1(888) 807-2111, if in Los Angeles County. Information is also available on our website at www.lacountypropertytax.com. Anyone who is hearing impaired and has TDD equipment may contact us or leave a message at 1(213) 974-2196, or use California Relay Services at 1(800) 735-2929.

Para su comodidad tenemos información general pregrabada que incluye fecha de vencimiento de los impuestos, disponible las 24 horas vía el sistema telefónico PROPTAX 1(213) 974-2111 si marca fuera del Condado de Los Angeles, si marca dentro del Condado de Los Angeles marca 1(888) 807-2111. También disponible esta nuestra página web www.lacountypropertytax.com. Todos aquellos con problemas auditivos y que tienen el equipo de Telecomunicaciones Para Personas Sordas comuníquense o dejen su mensaje al 1(213) 974-2196 o sírvanse a usar el Servicio de Telecomunicaciones 1(800) 735-2929.

HOW TO CONTACT OUR OFFICE

Visit us: 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, CA 90012

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E-mail us: info@ttc.lacounty.gov

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Website: www.lacountypropertytax.com

PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, BLIND, OR DISABLED PERSONS

The State Budget does not include funding for the Gonsalves-Deukmejian-Petris Senior Citizens Property Tax Assistance Law. Therefore, the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) will **not** issue Homeowner and Renter Assistance (HRA) Program instruction booklets and will **not** accept HRA claims. For the most current information on the HRA program, go to ftb.ca.gov and search for HRA.

PROPERTY TAX POSTPONEMENT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, BLIND, OR DISABLED PERSONS

Chapter 4, Statutes of 2009, suspended the Senior Citizens' Property Tax Deferral Program, effective February 20, 2009. As a result of the program suspension, the State Controller no longer may accept applications for property tax postponement. Chapter 369, Statutes of 2011, allows each county to implement a voluntary property tax postponement program for properties located in their county. At this time, Los Angeles County has not implemented a property tax postponement program.

For the most current information on the Property Tax Postponement Program, please visit the State of California Controller's website at sco.ca.gov and select Public Services or call the Franchise Tax Board at 1(800) 952-5661.

VOLUNTARY 3rd PARTY NOTIFICATION PROGRAM

In the event your property becomes tax defaulted and/or subject to sale due to a tax delinquency, you can designate a Third Party (e.g., a friend, family member, or agency) to receive copies of the default notices so they can remind you of your property tax obligation. Please call 1(213) 974-2111 or toll free at 1(888) 807-2111 for additional information. You can also complete and submit this application online at www.lacountypropertytax.com.

MILITARY ACTIVE DUTY EXEMPTIONS

Under provision of the Federal Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, active military personnel, regardless of the duration of military service or financial status, qualify for a reduction in the interest charged on unpaid property taxes. Please call 1(213) 974-2111 or toll-free at 1(888) 807-2111 for more information.